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STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

State: ARKANSAS

INCOME AND ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION SYSTEM PROCEDURES AFDC/Medicaid REQUESTS TO OTHER STATE AGENCIES

In compliance with 42 CFR 435.948(a)(6), Arkansas currently has an integrated on-line system for AFDC and Medicaid. The system automatically checks to see if eligibility has already been established and benefits being issued before allowing a case to be accepted for benefit delivery.

The system also has on-line edits to assure that the income and resource amounts entered are below the limits established. If the amount exceeds the maximum allowable, the system rejects the transaction and highlights the fields in error.

SWICA/Unemployment Compensation

All applicants are submitted to the Arkansas Employment Security Division on a weekly basis for information regarding wages and unemployment compensation. Hard copy reports are generated to the County Human Services offices for matches received.

Recipients are submitted to EDS on a quarterly basis and here again hard copy reports are generated.

In addition, the State agency has on-line access to the state employment and unemployment compensation files. This provides immediate access availability for the eligibility workers to utilize in determining eligibility.

Food Stamps

Although the Food Stamp system is not integrated with the AFDC/Medicaid system, all information is available on-line for the eligibility workers. An on-line cross reference file also captures all programs in which a recipient has or is currently receiving benefits.

Other States

At this time, Arkansas is not matching with any other states for possible duplicate assistance.

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